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To: Knott, Steven [Knott.Steven@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: April 27-30, 2020, TSCA Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals Meeting on Asbestos POSTPONED

Here is some possible language...before I send, please let me know if you have edits.

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Looping Steve and Hayley from OSCP.

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Good afternoon,

We received an inquiry from Terry Hyland of Chemical Watch. Deadline is 5:30 PM today. I have requested she update since it is such a tight deadline.

Questions below:

Any more information available on why the asbestos Saac meeting has been postponed, with no new date scheduled? Are there insufficient members on the panel to proceed with a meeting at this point? If so, what brought about the shortfall? Or is it a matter of conflicting schedules? If the latter, is the schedule conflict caused by working arrangements impacted by the Covid-19 outbreak?

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From: Terry Hyland <terry.hyland@chemicalwatch.com>

Date: April 20, 2020 at 4:49:53 PM EDT

To: "Labbe, Ken" <Labbe.Ken@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>

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Hi Ken,

Any more information available on why the asbestos Saac meeting has been postponed, with no new date scheduled? Are there insufficient members on the panel to proceed with a meeting at this point? If so, what brought about the shortfall? Or is it a matter of conflicting schedules? If the latter, is the schedule conflict caused by working arrangements impacted by the Covid-19 outbreak?

Thank you!

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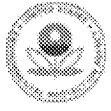
To: <terry.hyland@chemicalwatch.com>

EPA is postponing the Toxic Substances Control Act Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals (SACC) peer review virtual meeting scheduled for April 27-30, 2020, due to recent changes in the availability of members for this peer review. Given the importance of the draft risk evaluation for asbestos, the Agency believes that rescheduling for a time when more members are available is critical and will allow for a more robust review of the evaluation. As a result, the SACC meeting will be rescheduled as soon as practicable. The Agency will issue another announcement once the new dates for the SACC meeting on asbestos have been determined.

While the Agency does not anticipate extending the written public comment period on the draft risk evaluation past the June 2, 2020, due date, as needs arise EPA will review and respond appropriately. All written comments received by June 2nd will be provided to the SACC for their review prior to the meeting. Once EPA has selected a new date for the meeting, the Agency will provide an update on public commenting, including

registering to provide oral public comments during the SACC meeting. EPA remains committed to completing this process as expeditiously as possible.

You will continue to find information about the SACC meeting, and links to related documents, on the TSCA SACC website at <https://www.epa.gov/tsca-peer-review/peer-review-draft-risk-evaluation-asbestos>.



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